## Brass-mounted cupboard from Leipzig $2^{\text {nd }}$ half of the $18^{\text {th }}$ century



This piece of furniture is a unique item that could have been designed by a cabinetmaker and an architect in collaboration. The appearance is truly remarkable., just like the impressive size. The cupboard is 235 cm high, 320 cm wide and 83 cm deep. The carcass is made from softwood and veneered in walnut wood and walnut root.

The three-piece carcass is crowned by a strongly profiled cornice and rests on six spacious bun feet. The front features two pilasters with waved profile on the outside and capitals. The two outer doors are noticeably waved. The outer waves are continued as round arches towards the top. The central door is covered by a pronounced stepped profile on the lower side.

Towards the top, the central door bears the shape of a portal. The sides also feature pilasters and capitals. Above, there is a noticeably stepped tympanum with an additional round arch. It constitutes the upper end of the doorframe.

The two sides are also notably profiled and stepped. In the center, a tympanum arch continues the central door. The doors have simple, but beautifully crafted hinges.





The three-piece door lock is quite ingenious. By opening the inactive leaf to approx. $75^{\circ}$, the side doors automatically unlock. The cupboard is locked the same way.

The left and right door feature a so-called snap lock. The door lock has three strong bolts and the keyhole can be covered with a veneered lid.



